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1. AMBASSADOR ALFONSO ARIAS SCHREIBER, FONOFF ADVISER ON OCEAN AFFAIRS AND A LEADING MEMBER OF GOP LOS TEAM, CONFIRMED TO EMBOFF THAT SOVIET AMBASSADOR KOLASSOVSKIY HAD SPENT SEVERAL DAYS IN LIMA RECENTLY CONSULTING ON LOS MATTERS. ARIAS SCHREIBER SAID SOVIET REP OFFERED "PACKAGE DEAL" IN WHICH USSR ACCEPTED 200 MILE ECONOMIC ZONE IN EXCHANGE FOR CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

2. GOP QUID PRO QUO WOULD INCLUDE SUPPORT FOR SOVIET POSITION ON STRAITS (NOT FURTHER ELUCIDATED). ON FISHERIES, SOVIETS SEEK BILATERAL AGREEMENTS WITH COASTAL STATES FIXING AMOUNT OF CATCH USSR COULD TAKE OVER AND ABOVE COASTAL STATE CAPABILITY TO EXPLOIT. SOVIETS WOULD PAY LICENSE FEES. ARIAS
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SCHREIBER STATED THIS APPROACH (BILATERAL AGREEMENTS) SIGNIFIES

SOVIET RECOGNITION THAT DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WILL OVER TIME ACQUIRE CAPACITY TO EXPLOIT 100 PERCENT OF THEIR OFFSHORE FISHERIES WHILE, IN THE MEANTIME, ASSURING USSR A SHARE IN THE PROGRESSIVELY DIMINISHING TRADITIONAL DISTANT FISHING RESOURCES. ON SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, SOVIETS WILLING TAKE ALONG COASTAL STATES COLLABORATORS AND SHARE IN FINDINGS BUT WANT RIGHT TO UNDERTAKE RESEARCH ON BASIS OF "NOTIFICATION" AND NOT ON REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION. ACCORDING TO ARIAS SCHREIBER, SOVIET PROPOSAL DID NOT INCLUDE GOP SUPPORT FOR USSR POSITION ON LOS CONFERENCE RULES OF PROCEDURE, WHICH HE CHARACTERIZED AS VERY CONSERVATIVE, I.E., REQUIRING VERY SUBSTANTIAL VOTING MAJORITIES.

3. ARIAS SCHREIBER SAID THAT GOP HAD NOT ACCEPTED SOVIET PROPOSAL BUT HAD TAKEN NOTE OF THIS VERY SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN USSR POSITION. HE EXPRESSED GREAT SATISFACTION WITH THIS DEVELOPMENT, ADDING THAT NOW ONLY THE U.S. AND JAPAN HAVE TO BE BROUGHT AROUND.
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